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In re Patent Application of ) BOX SEQUENCE  
Shigeori TAKENAKA )  
Application Serial No.: 09/902,633 ) Group Art Unit: 1631  
Filed: July 12, 2001 ) ) Examiner: Unassigned  
For: PROBE FOR DETECTING A HIGHLY )  
ORDERED STRUCTURAL SITE OF A )  
SINGLE STRANDED NUCLEIC ACID )  
OF A GENE, AND A METHOD AND A )  
DEVICE FOR DETECTING THE SAME )

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment and Reply for the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [ ] \$55.00 (248) [ ] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- Also enclosed are a copy of the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, a paper copy of the Sequence Listing, a copy of the Sequence Listing in computer readable form and a Declaration Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-825.
- Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [ ] \$370.00 (279) [ ] \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_, on \_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.



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[ ] A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.

[X] No additional claim fee is required.

[ ] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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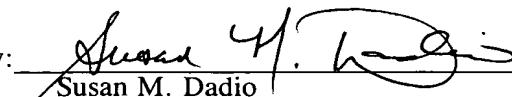
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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